

Memorandum



To: City Council
From: Ken Coleman
Date: June 11, 2015
Re: RV Dump Station

A few months ago a citizen came before Council asking that we consider other options for the access to the City's RV Dump Station. The current entrance is on a narrow dirt road with limited opportunity for large vehicles to turn around. The entrance road is also a rather long stretch, so if a large vehicle comes to the locked gate and does not want to use the facility, there is the challenge of backing up the unit for quite a distance. Add to that, many of these large RVs do tow ancillary equipment making the backing maneuver even more difficult.

To address this situation, our Public Works crew has plans to relocate the locked gate so it is encountered almost immediately upon turning onto this entrance road. Along with moving the gate, the associated signs would be relocated as well. Recently, Matt Schwartz enquired about the possibility of developing a newer facility for our visiting and resident RV users.

The existing facility was developed in conjunction with the 1987 construction of the City's Wastewater Treatment Facility. It was designed to accommodate septic haulers and tourist buses needing a means to dispose of this waste and not built to RV dump standards. Our Public Works crew will get the work done to relocate the security gate and resolve the immediate issue where RV operators are inconvenienced by the present bottleneck. It is suggested that any new facility discussion be part of future capital planning and may be part of a larger discussion in the strategic planning process.